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REPLY TO ACTION OF JUNE 11, 2009

In view of the following remarks, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

Claims 1-3, 5-9, 11-15, 17-21, 23, 24 and 29-36 are now pending, of which claims 1, 7, 13 and 19 are independent. Claims 4, 10, 16, 22 and 25-28 were previously cancelled. Claims 29-32 have been withdrawn.

Claims 1-3, 5, 6, 13-15, 17-21, 23, 33, 35 and 36 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Arai (U.S. Patent Publication No. US2002/0009538) in view of Aoshima (Japanese Patent Publication No. JP2000-223269).

Claims 7-9, 11, 12 and 34 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Arai in view of Aoshima and Konuma (U.S. Patent Publication No. 2002/0030443).

35 U.S.C. 103(a) – Claims 1-3, 5-6, 13-15, 17-21, 23, 24, 33, 35 and 36

Regarding the rejection of claims 1-3, 5, 6, 13-15, 17-21, 23, 24, 33, 35 and 36 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Arai and Aoshima, applicants respectfully submit that neither Arai, Aoshima, nor any proper combination of the two, discloses or properly suggests that “an evaporation is performed while at least one of the means adapted to move the first, second, and third evaporation sources moves in the film formation chamber,” as recited in each of independent claims 1, 13, and 19.